

Access to Care Monitoring Plan Update

In early April DMHF gave a report to the MCAC outlining a new federal rule from CMS implementing the equal access provision that requires state Medicaid agencies to develop a medical assistance access monitoring review plan. Originally DMHF planned to have a draft to the Committee by April 15, 2016 for review and informal feedback. CMS has extended the deadline for submission of the plan to October 1, 2016, therefore we are delaying our submission to the Committee. This will allow us to provide a much more comprehensive draft than we would have had ready on April 15.

At this point DMHF intends to send the Committee a draft of the State's Access Monitoring Review Plan (AMRP) for review and informal feedback by May 16th. Again, if you'd like to review the final rule from CMS prior to the 16th please see The Federal Register, Department of Health and Human Services, CMS-2328-FC at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-11-02/pdf/2015-27697.pdf>.

Several members of the community have reached out to me in the past few weeks, I encourage you to do so and let me know if you have any questions. I sincerely appreciate you taking the time to review the rule. Below you'll find my contact information, I am the Division's Project Lead on this plan and look forward to working with the MCAC as we develop and implement the AMRP for the State of Utah.

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